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Masaaki NAKASHIMATitle:IMAGING ELEMENT FOR ELECTRONIC  
ENDOSCOPES AND ELECTRONIC ENDSCOPE  
EQUIPPED WITH THE IMAGING ELEMENT

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form  
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
  - a. ☐ Small Entity Statement(s)
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 39]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the Invention
  - Cross References to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets 10]
5. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 3]
  - a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy) ☐ Unexecuted
  - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 20 completed)  
[Note Box 6 below]
    - i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR  
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 5b is checked)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a  
copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is  
considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying  
application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
7. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76
8. ☐ CD-Rom or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer  
Program (Appendix)

9. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
    - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
    - ii. ☐ paper
  - c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies
10. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
11. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
12. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
13. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
14. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
15. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
16. ☒ Figure of Drawing to be published 1
17. ☒ Foreign priority claimed
  - a. ☒ Claim of Priority
  - b. ☒ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
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19. ☒ Other: Cover Letter Regarding Executed Application

20. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior Application No. \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.  
Prior application information: Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_ Group Art Unit: \_\_\_\_\_
21. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:This application is a    continuation-in-part,    continuation,    divisional, of Application No. \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.

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**COVER LETTER REGARDING EXECUTED APPLICATION**

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Sir:

The undersigned points out that the executed application being filed herewith includes pages 1 - 3 of the executed declaration which were forwarded to the undersigned by facsimile by Applicant's Japanese representative on August 20, 2001, and pages 1 - 39 of the specification (with Figures 1 - 10) which were earlier forwarded to the undersigned by Applicant's Japanese representative on August 17, 2001.

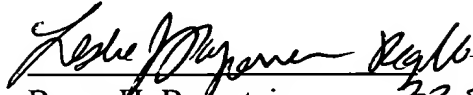
Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is properly executed and should be considered as filed in executed form. However, if the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that the present application is not properly executed, Applicant respectfully requests that the present application be treated as an unexecuted application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f).

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